

2 NINETY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
3 FIRST SESSION
4 LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 64

5 Introduced by Tyson, 19

6 WHEREAS, one violent crime is committed in America every
7 5 seconds and one property crime is committed every 1.6 seconds;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, 25.9 million Americans are victims of crime each
10 year, and of those, 6.3 million are victims of violent crime; and

11 WHEREAS, drunk driving is the nation's most frequently
12 committed crime, 48 Americans die each day in alcohol-related
13 crashes, and 59 Americans are injured in alcohol-related crashes
14 each hour; and

15 WHEREAS, despite the recent reduction in the rate of
16 crime, far too many persons still suffer the impact of crime; and

17 WHEREAS, crime victims play an imperative role in bringing
18 offenders to justice; and

19 WHEREAS, victims of crimes deserve respect, resources,
20 restoration, and justice; and

21 WHEREAS, as we carry victims' rights into 2003 and
22 beyond, we must bring honor to victims; and

23 WHEREAS, underserved crime victims, including those who
24 are elderly, disabled, or living in rural populations, receive the
25 same services as other victims of crime; and

26 WHEREAS, as a nation devoted to liberty and justice for

1 all, America must increase its efforts to protect, restore, and
2 expand crime victims' rights and services; and

3 WHEREAS, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Nebraska, is
4 joining forces with victim service programs, criminal justice
5 officials, and concerned citizens throughout Nebraska and America
6 to observe National Crime Victims' Week.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE
8 NINETY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

9 1. That the Legislature designates the week of April
10 6-12, 2003, as Nebraska Crime Victims' Rights Week.

11 2. That the Legislature reaffirms a commitment to
12 respect and enforce victims' rights and address their needs during
13 2003 Nebraska Crime Victims' Rights Week and throughout the year.

14 3. That this resolution be presented to Mothers Against
15 Drunk Driving, Nebraska, on April 7, 2003.